## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 528 By DuBois

A RESOLUTION to recognize Lavinia Gossett on the occasion of her retirement from the Maury County School System.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize, particularly on the occasion of their retirement, those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Lavinia Gossett is one such estimable educator; having distinguished herself as an exemplary classroom teacher, she will soon enter into a well-deserved retirement; and

WHEREAS, throughout her illustrious tenure with the Maury County School System, Ms.

Gossett has served with the utmost acumen and alacrity, instructing and positively influencing her students; and

WHEREAS, she is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who has worked assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; she has taught many students who have become leaders in their respective fields; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Gossett truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Lavinia Gossett is an active and important part of her community and profession, participating in and lending her support to numerous civic and educational organizations, including the Maury County Education Association; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Ms. Lavinia Gossett has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues and students alike; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Gossett truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized for her manifold achievements on the occasion of her retirement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor Ms. Lavinia Gossett, commending her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, saluting her professional expertise and personal excellence, and extending to her our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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